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In re U.S. Patent Application of

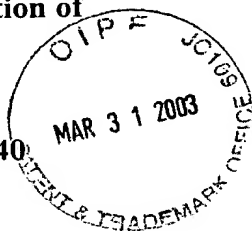
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For: DNA BASE SEQUENCING SYSTEM

Attorney Docket No. HIRA.0011



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Examiner Lewis, P. T.

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Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

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Independent Claims	5	5	-XX (Over 3)	x \$84	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S)				+ \$280	0
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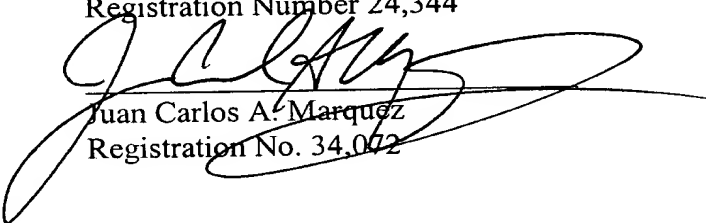
- ☒ Response to Office Action
(with Claim Amendments)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Substitute Specification
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- ☐ Letter to Draftsperson
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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on December 31, 2002, the period of response to which will expire on March 31, 2003. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please enter the attached substitute specification, excluding the claims. This substitute specification is being submitted to replace the specification originally filed on March 14, 2001.

Applicants hereby submit that no new matter is being introduced into the application through the resubmission of this substitute specification.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 19 and 22-23, and substitute claims 3-10, 15-18, and 20-21 with the following amended claims:

3. A system for obtaining DNA sequence information comprising:

at least one reaction vessel;

means for supplying four different kinds of dNTPs into each reaction vessel via independent capillaries or grooves by pressurizing or by a liquid transfer system; and

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